Claims

1. The use of a low molecular weight thrombin inhibitor for the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment by dialysis of a patient in need of such treatment, in which the thrombin inhibitor is provided in the dialysing solution.

2. The use of a low molecular weight thrombin inhibitor in the manufacture of a dialysing solution.

3. The use of a low molecular weight thrombin inhibitor in the manufacture of a dialysis concentrate.

4. The use as claimed in any one of Claims 1 to 3, wherein the dialysis is haemodialysis.

5. A dialysing solution including a low molecular weight thrombin inhibitor.

6. A dialysis concentrate including a low molecular weight thrombin inhibitor.

7. A kit of parts for use in dialysis including (a) a formulation including a low molecular weight thrombin inhibitor, and (b) a dialysis concentrate.

8. A solution according to Claim 5, a concentrate according to Claim 6, or a kit of parts according to Claim 7, wherein the dialysis is haemodialysis.

9. A use, solution, concentrate, or kit of parts, as claimed in any one of Claims 1 to 8 (as appropriate), wherein the thrombin inhibitor is a low molecular weight peptide-based thrombin inhibitor, a low molecular weight amino acid-based thrombin inhibitor, and/or a low molecular weight peptide analogue-based thrombin inhibitor, or a prodrug of any of these.

10. A use, solution, concentrate, or kit of parts, as claimed in Claim 9, wherein the thrombin inhibitor is inogatran or melagatran, or a prodrug thereof.

11. A process for the preparation of a solution, or a concentrate, as defined in any one of Claims 5, 6 or 8 to 10 (as appropriate), which comprises admixing a formulation including a low molecular weight thrombin inhibitor (or prodrug thereof) and a dialysing solution, or a dialysis concentrate (as appropriate).

12. A method of treatment by dialysis of a patient in need of such treatment, which comprises the use of a dialysing solution including a low molecular weight thrombin inhibitor.

13. A method as claimed in Claim 12 wherein the dialysis is haemodialysis.

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